



General Assembly

January Session, 2015

**Committee Bill No. 6321**

LCO No. 4867



Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION

Introduced by:  
(TRA)

**AN ACT CONCERNING PARENT ATTENDANCE AT SAFE DRIVING INSTRUCTIONS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 14-36j of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2015*):

3 (a) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall amend the  
4 regulations adopted pursuant to sections 14-36f and 14-78 concerning  
5 the content of safe driving instruction courses offered at drivers'  
6 schools, high schools and other secondary schools to require the eight  
7 hours of instruction required by such regulations to include, for  
8 applicants to whom a learner's permit or youth instruction permit is  
9 issued, two hours of instruction concerning the statutory provisions,  
10 including penalties, applicable to drivers who are less than eighteen  
11 years of age, the dangers of teenage driving, the cognitive  
12 development of adolescents, the responsibilities and liabilities of  
13 parents of teenage drivers, and related topics deemed by the  
14 commissioner to be appropriate.

15 (b) A parent or guardian of any such applicant who is less than

16 eighteen years of age and to whom a learner's permit or youth  
17 instruction permit is issued on or after August 1, 2008, [who is less  
18 than eighteen years of age,] shall attend such two hours of instruction  
19 with such applicant, except such parent or guardian is not required to  
20 attend such two hours of instruction more than one time in a three-  
21 year period. Before any such applicant is permitted to take the driver's  
22 test, such applicant shall provide an affidavit to the commissioner,  
23 signed under penalty of false statement, by an official of the driver's  
24 school, high school or other secondary school by which such course  
25 was conducted, that a parent or guardian attended the two hours of  
26 instruction required by subsection (a) of this section with such  
27 applicant.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	July 1, 2015	14-36j
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***Statement of Purpose:***

To allow parents or guardians to attend only one two-hour session concerning statutory provisions in a five-year period.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*

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